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IN REPLY PLEASE

REFER TO FILE: **PR-5**

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**CALIFORNIA INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD FOURTEENTH
CYCLE USED OIL BLOCK GRANT
ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT FOR REGIONAL USED MOTOR OIL
AND FILTER RECYCLING COLLECTION AND PUBLIC EDUCATION PROGRAM
FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to approve the acceptance of the fourteenth cycle used oil block grant from the California Integrated Waste Management Board to continue the Regional Used Motor Oil and Filter Recycling Collection and Public Education Program.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find that this program is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Accept a grant amount of \$321,510 for the Department of Public Works to continue conducting a Countywide Regional Used Motor Oil and Filter Recycling Collection and Public Education Program as the lead agency on behalf of the cities who partner on regional grant projects. Contributing cities include: Alhambra, Artesia, El Segundo, La Canada Flintridge, Palos Verdes Estates, and San Marino.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions are to authorize the Director of Public Works (Director) or her designee to execute the grant agreement upon Board acceptance of the grant from the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) to continue the Regional Used Motor Oil and Filter Recycling Collection and Public Education Program (Program).

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Fiscal Responsibility (Goal 4), Children and Families' Well-Being (Goal 5), and Community Services (Goal 6) by actively seeking grant funds to augment the County funding sources and by funding programs that improve the environment and thus the health and safety, as well as the quality of life, for children and families Countywide.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund. The estimated annual operating cost for the Program is \$500,000 of which \$321,510 is offset by the CIWMB grant and the remaining \$178,490 will be funded by the proposed Fiscal Year 2010-11 Solid Waste Management Fund Budget. Sufficient funds to cover the Program cost will be included in the proposed Fiscal Year 2010-11 Solid Waste Management Fund Budget. Public Works can not begin using the 14th cycle block grant funding until the 13th cycle block grant funds are expended in Fiscal Year 2009-10.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On March 21, 2006, your Board authorized the Director to execute all necessary applications, contracts, agreements, amendments, and payment requests for the purpose of securing grants from the CIWMB. The resolution is effective from April 1, 2006, through March 31, 2011.

Further, your Board authorized and empowered the Department of Public Works (Public Works) to act in the name of the County as the lead jurisdictional entity on behalf of cities who notified Public Works of their desire to participate with the County in regional grant projects. Your Board also authorized and empowered the Director to act in the name of the County as the lead agent on behalf of cities who notified Public Works of their desire to participate with the County in regional grant projects. Public Works is responsible for implementing the County Household Hazardous Waste Sitting Element and the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System Municipal Stormwater permit, which calls for increasing public awareness of various

environmental issues. The Program facilitates the County's continuous effort to educate County of Los Angeles residents on the proper method to recycle used oil and filters and provide information where residents can recycle used oil and filters.

In addition, on July 11, 2000, your Board approved guidelines for the acceptance of any grants of \$100,000 or more. These guidelines include a requirement that County departments prepare a Grant Management Statement for your review prior to the departments carrying out the activities covered under the grant. Accordingly, the Grant Management Statement for this grant is attached for your review.

The attached Grant Agreement, Terms and Conditions, and Procedures and Requirements have been reviewed and approved by County Counsel. The Grant Agreement will be executed by the Director or her designee upon your Board's acceptance of the grant.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This Program is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Class 8 of the Environmental Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, and Section 15308 of the CEQA Guidelines. These exemptions provide for the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of the environment by a regulatory agency.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

As a result of the Program, we anticipate an increased volume of used oil and filters collected at State-certified collection centers, Household Hazardous Waste roundups, and other targeted oil collection events. This Program also helps reduce the amount of illegal dumping incidents throughout the County, which will enhance the environment and quality of life of County residents.

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CONCLUSION

Please return two adopted copies of this letter to the Department of Public Works,
Public Relations Group.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gail Farber', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

GAIL FARBER
Director of Public Works

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Attachments (2)

c: Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)
County Counsel